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In re application of:

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DECISION ON PETITION

Serial No.: 09/772,305 Filed: January 29, 2001

For: Device for Changing Operating Mode

For Chip Card Reader

Responsive to the letter received on August 25, 2003, correcting the fee requirements in the above application.

Counsel 's deposit account 16-2128 will be charged the sum of \$1,430.00 for the unintentional abandonment and the surcharge.

The application has been completed and release to Technology Center 2876.

It is indeed honorable of you to correct the oversight in the above application.

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Attention: Mr. Doshie E. Day

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This is in reference to the August 14, 2003 DECISION ON PETITION.

Applicant's attorney would like to clarify certain facts. The DECISION at ¶3 lines 3-4 states that "... [the attorney] never received the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed on March 12, 2001." Applicant's attorney only after filing the Status Inquiry Letter on March 31, 2003, and only after receipt of the April 9, 2003 Cover Letter for Resending Correspondence (which contained a copy of the March 12, 2001 Notice), and on restudying the file during the week of April 13, 2003, located for the first time the original Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed on March 12, 2001. It was buried in the file and remained unnoticed until the week of April 13, 2003.

If any fee and/or petition is required for this submission, then petition is hereby made for the acceptance Ser. No. 09/772,305 August 21, 2003 Page 2

and entry of this submission and the Commissioner is requested and authorized to charge deposit account 16-2128 therefor. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for reply until the filing of this petition was unintentional.

Respectfully submitted,

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